MR. ABDUR RAHIMAN SAHIB (*Nominated*): May I know whether Government are convinced of the need for the reconstruction of the buildings?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer*): Yes.

MR. N. ABDUR RAHIMAN SAHIB (*Nominated*): Are the Government aware that various representations have been made in the old Sri Mulam Popular Assembly regarding this?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer*): Yes.

MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): When the work of reconstruction of these buildings is taken into consideration, may I know whether Government would see that all these court-houses are located in one place?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer*): That will be considered.

MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara I*): May I know whether there was a scheme some time back to reconstruct the buildings?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer*): I claim notice.

Repair of two chiras in the Mavelikara taluk.

307. ❋ MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara*): Will the Government be pleased to state the steps taken by the Chief Engineer on my letter dated 4-6-1109 regarding the immediate repair of Kottakkonam *chira* and the Nelpurakkadavu *chira* in the Mavelikara taluk?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer*): An estimate has been submitted by the Executive Engineer, Quilon, for forming the flood bank on the left bank of the Achenkoil river. As this alone would not be an effective preventive against floods, the Chief Engineer has called for further proposals. As for Nelpurakkadavu *chira*, the bund has been put up.

Technical Institutes.

308. ❋ MR. J. M. JOSEPH (*Nominated*): Will the Government b pleased to state how many institutes simlar to the S. M. R. V. Technical Institute, Nagercoil, are run by the Government and where they are?

MR. N. K. PADMANABHA PILLAI (*Director of Industries*): Five institutions, *viz.*,

(1) School of Arts, Trivandrum.
(2) Central Technological Institute, Trivandrum.
(3) S. M. T. School, Trivandrum.
(4) Carpentry School, Quilon,
(5) School of Commerce, Alleppey.

Besides the above, some cottage industries, such as Dyeing and Printing, Durrie and Carpet-making, Tanning and Rattan-work, are also taught at head-quarters.

MR. J. M. JOSEPH (*Nominated*): May I know whether there are institutes run by private agencies in the State?

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MR. N. K. PADMANABHA PILLAI (*Director of Industries*): There are many institutions run by private agencies.

MR. J. M. JOSEPH (*Nominated*): May I know from the member whether they get grant-in-aid from Government?

MR. N. K. PADMANABHA PILLAI (*Director of Industries*): Some of them do get.

Approach road to Vamanpuram Dispensary.

309. ❋ **MR. S. J. NAIR** (*Nedumangad*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether there is an approach road from the M. C. Road leading to the District dispensary at Vamanapuram;

(*b*) what is the length of the road in feet; and

(*c*) whether that road is being maintained by the P. W. D. now?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer*): (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) 1,150 feet.

(*c*) No.

MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): May I know from the member whether this approach road was being maintained before this time by the P. W. D?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer*): Yes.

MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): May I know from the member whether that road is not necessary for patients to go to the dispensary?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer*): Yes.

Hindi in Travancore.

310. ❋ **MR. S. J. NAIR** (*Nedumengad*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether Hindi be taught in all the educational institutions in the State;

(*b*) whether Hindi is taught in some of the schools of the State, outside the school hours, with the permission of the educational authorities;

(*c*) whether Hindi is taught in some of the schools, outside the school hours, in Nedumangad and

(*d*) whether any salary or honorarium be not given to the teachers who teach Hindi in schools with the permission of educational authorities?

MR. R. M. STATHAM (*Director of Public Instruction*): No.

(*b*) Yes.

(*c*) Not at present.

(*d*) Yes.

MR. S. J. NAIR (*edumangad*): With reference to the answer to part (*b*), may I know from the member whether the teaching of Hindi could not be made compulsory in all the institutions after the school hours?

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